AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 372, replace the second full paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

Emulsion Em-A6 was prepared in the same manner as (Em-A4)(Em-A5), except that compound (IX-2-3) of the invention was added in an amount of 1 X 10⁻⁴ mol/mol Ag at the time of chemical sensitization.

On page 374, replace the third full paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

Emulsion Em-A9 was prepared in the same manner as $\frac{\text{Em-A7}(\text{EM-A8})}{\text{Em-A8}}$, except that compound (IX-2-3) of the invention was added in an amount of 1 X 10^{-4} mol/mol Ag at the time of chemical sensitization.

On page 376, replace the third full paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

Emulsion Em-A12 was prepared in the same manner as $\frac{\text{Em-A10}}{\text{Em-A11}}$, except that compound (IX-2-3) of the invention was added in an amount of 1 X 10^{-4} mol/mol Ag at the time of chemical sensitization.

On page 378, replace the last paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

Emulsion Em-A15 was prepared in the same manner as (Em-A13)(Em-A14), except that compound (IX-2-3) of the invention was added in an amount of 1 X 10⁻⁴ mol/mol Ag at the time of chemical sensitization.

On page 392, replace the last paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

Em-J3 was prepared in the same manner as $\frac{\text{Em-J1}(\text{Em-J2})}{\text{Em-J2}}$, except that compound (IX-2-50) of the invention was added in an amount of 1 X 10^{-4} mol/mol Ag at the time of chemical sensitization.

On page 403, replace the second full paragraph with the following amended:

Em-P3 was prepared in the same manner as Em-P1Em-P2, except that compound (IX-2-50) of the invention was added in an amount of 1 X 10⁻⁴ mol/mol Ag at the time of chemical sensitization.

On page 451, replace the third full paragraph beginning at line 16 with the following amended paragraph:

Em-X3 was obtained in the same manner as Em-X1EM-X2, except that compound (IV-2) of the invention was added at the time of chemical sensitization in an amount of 10 mol% of the sensitizing dyes added.

On page 460, replace the fourth full paragraph beginning at line 20 with the following amended paragraph:

Em-Y3 was obtained in the same manner as Em-Y1Em-Y2, except that compound (IV-2) of the invention was added at the time of chemical sensitization in an amount of 10 mol% of the sensitizing dyes added.

On page 465, replace the first full paragraph, beginning at line 2 with the following amended paragraph:

Em-Z3 was obtained in the same manner as Em-Z1Em-Z2, except that compound (IV-2) of the invention was added at the time of chemical sensitization in an amount of 10 mol% of the sensitizing dyes added.